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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(i), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449, and respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-captioned application. Copies of the United States patent references listed on the Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed, but the PCT/foreign references are enclosed.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies the documents as prior art against any claim in the

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application and applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under

United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law

regarding the appropriate status of the documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the

patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be

applied against the claims of the present application.

This submission is being filed before the payment of the issue fee for this

application. However, Applicants note that these references were recently provided in the Office

Action or search report of certain U.S., PCT and/or foreign application(s), and respectfully

request that they be made of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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